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To strengthen our Nation's energy security and mitigate the effects of climate change by promoting energy efficient transportation and public buildings, creating incentives for the use of alternative fuel vehicles and renewable energy, and ensuring sound water resource and natural disaster preparedness planning, and for other purposes.

### IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. Oberstar (for himself, Mr. DeFazio, Ms. Norton, Mr. Nadler, Mr. Filner, Ms. Eddie Bernice Johnson of Texas, Mr. Boswell, Mr. Capuano, Ms. Carson, Mr. Higgins, Mrs. Napolitano, Mr. Lipinski, Ms. Matsui, Mr. Hall of New York, and Mr. McNerney) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

# A BILL

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

## SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.

- 2 (a) Short Title.—This Act may be cited as the
- 3 "Transportation Energy Security and Climate Change
- 4 Mitigation Act of 2007".
- 5 (b) Table of Contents.—
  - Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.
  - Sec. 2. Findings and purposes.

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- Sec. 703. Improving hydropower capabilities.
- Sec. 704. Study of Potential Impacts of Climate Change on Water Resources and Water Quality.
- Sec. 705. Impacts of climate change on Corps of Engineers projects.

#### Subtitle B—Emergency Management

Sec. 731. Effects of climate change on FEMA preparedness, response, recovery, and mitigation programs.

### 1 SEC. 2. FINDINGS AND PURPOSES.

- 2 (a) FINDINGS.—Congress makes the following find-
- 3 ings:
- 4 (1) Evidence that atmospheric warming and cli-
- 5 mate change are occurring is unequivocal.

- (2) Observed and anticipated impacts of climate change can result in economic harm and environmental damage to the United States and the world.
  - (3) The Nation's water resources, ecosystems, and infrastructure will be under increasing stress and pressure in coming decades, particularly due to climate change.
  - (4) Greenhouse gases, such as carbon dioxide, methane, and nitrous oxides, can lead to atmospheric warming and climate change.
  - (5) Transportation and buildings are among the leading sources of greenhouse gas emissions.
  - (6) Increased reliance on energy efficient and renewable energy transportation and public buildings can strengthen our Nation's energy security and mitigate the effects of climate change by cutting greenhouse gas emissions.
  - (7) The Federal Government can strengthen our Nation's energy security and mitigate the effects of climate change by promoting energy efficient transportation and public buildings, creating incentives for the use of alternative fuel vehicles and renewable energy, and ensuring sound water resource and natural disaster preparedness planning.

1	(b) Purposes.—The purposes of this Act are to
2	strengthen our Nation's energy security and mitigate the
3	effects of climate change by promoting energy efficient
4	transportation and public buildings, creating incentives for
5	the use of alternative fuel vehicles and renewable energy,
6	and ensuring sound water resource and natural disaster
7	preparedness planning.
8	TITLE I—DEPARTMENT OF
9	TRANSPORTATION
10	SEC. 101. CENTER FOR CLIMATE CHANGE AND ENVIRON-
11	MENT.
12	(a) In General.—Section 102 of title 49, United
13	States Code, is amended—
14	(1) by redesignating subsection (g) as sub-
15	section (h); and
16	(2) by adding at the end the following:
17	"(g) Center for Climate Change and Environ-
18	MENT.—
19	"(1) Establishment.—There is established in
20	the Department a Center for Climate Change and
21	Environment to plan, coordinate, and implement—
22	"(A) department-wide research, strategies,
23	and actions to reduce transportation-related en-
24	ergy use and mitigate the effects of climate
25	change; and

- 1 "(B) department-wide research strategies 2 and action to address the impacts of climate 3 change on transportation systems and infra-4 structure.
  - "(2) CLEARINGHOUSE.—The Center shall establish a clearinghouse of low-cost solutions to reduce congestion and transportation-related energy use and mitigate the effects of climate change.".

## (b) Low-Cost Congestion Solutions.—

- (1) Study.—The Center for Climate Change and Environment of the Department of Transportation shall conduct a study to examine fuel efficiency savings and clean air impacts of major transportation projects and to identify low-cost solutions to reduce congestion and transportation-related energy use and mitigate the effects of climate change.
- (2) Report.—Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Transportation shall transmit to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives a report on low-cost solutions to reducing congestion and transportation-related energy use and mitigating the effects of climate change.
- 24 (c) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is 25 authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary for the

- 7 Center to carry out its duties under section 102(g) of title 49, United States Code, such sums as may be necessary 3 for fiscal years 2008 through 2011. TITLE II—HIGHWAYS AND 4 TRANSIT 5 Subtitle A—Public Transportation 6 SEC. 201. GRANTS TO IMPROVE PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION 8 SERVICES. 9 (a) Authorizations of Appropriations.— 10 (1) Urbanized area formula grants.—In 11 addition allocated under to amounts section 12 5338(b)(2)(B) of title 49, United States Code, to 13 carry out section 5307 of such title, there is author-14 ized to be appropriated \$750,000,000 for each fiscal 15 years 2008 and 2009 to carry out such section 16 5307. Such funds shall be apportioned in accordance 17 with section 5336 (other than subsections (i)(1) and 18 (j)) of such title but may not be combined or com-19 mingled with any other funds apportioned under 20 such section 5336. 21 (2) Formula grants for other than ur-22 BANIZED AREAS.—In addition to amounts allocated
  - under section 5338(b)(2)(G) of title 49, United States Code, to carry out section 5311 of such title, there is authorized to be appropriated \$100,000,000

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for each of fiscal years 2008 and 2009 to carry out such section 5311. Such funds shall be apportioned in accordance with such section 5311 but may not be combined or commingled with any other funds apportioned under such section 5311.

## (b) Use of Funds.—

- (1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding sections 5307 and 5311 of title 49, United States Code, the Secretary of Transportation may make grants under such sections from amounts appropriated under subsection (a) only for one or more of the following:
  - (A) If the recipient of the grant is reducing, or certifies to the Secretary that, during the term of the grant, the recipient will reduce one or more fares the recipient charges for public transportation, those operating costs of equipment and facilities being used to provide the public transportation that the recipient is no longer able to pay from the revenues derived from such fare or fares as a result of such reduction.
  - (B) If the recipient of the grant is expanding, or certifies to the Secretary that, during the term of the grant, the recipient will expand public transportation service, those operating

- 1 and capital costs of equipment and facilities
- 2 being used to provide the public transportation
- 3 service that the recipient incurs as a result of
- 4 the expansion of such service.
- 5 (c) FEDERAL SHARE.—Notwithstanding any other
- 6 provision of law, the Federal share of the costs for which
- 7 a grant is made under this section shall be 100 percent.
- 8 (d) Period of Availability.—Funds appropriated
- 9 under this section shall remain available for a period of
- 10 2 fiscal years.
- 11 SEC. 202. INCREASED FEDERAL SHARE FOR CLEAN AIR ACT
- 12 COMPLIANCE.
- Notwithstanding section 5323(i)(1) of title 49,
- 14 United States Code, a grant for a project to be assisted
- 15 under chapter 53 of such title during fiscal years 2008
- 16 and 2009 that involves acquiring clean fuel or alternative
- 17 fuel vehicle-related equipment or facilities for the purposes
- 18 of complying with or maintaining compliance with the
- 19 Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401 et seq.) shall be for 100
- 20 percent of the net project cost of the equipment or facility
- 21 attributable to compliance with that Act.
- 22 SEC. 203. COMMUTER RAIL TRANSIT ENHANCEMENT.
- (a) AMENDMENT.—Part E of subtitle V of title 49,
- 24 United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the
- 25 following:

# "CHAPTER 285—COMMUTER RAIL

# 2 TRANSIT ENHANCEMENT

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"Sec.

"28501. Definitions

"CHAPTER 285—COMMUTER RAIL TRANSIT ENHANCEMENT

	"28502. Surface Transportation Board adjudication of trackage use requests." 28503. Surface Transportation Board adjudication of rights-of-way use requests.
	"28504. Applicability of other laws. "28505. Rules and regulations.
3	"§ 28501. Definitions
4	"In this chapter—
5	"(1) the term 'Board' means the Surface
6	Transportation Board;
7	"(2) the term 'capital work' means mainte-
8	nance, restoration, reconstruction, capacity enhance-
9	ment, or rehabilitation work on trackage that would
10	be treated, in accordance with generally accepted ac-
11	counting principles, as a capital item rather than an
12	expense;
13	"(3) the term 'fixed guideway transportation
14	means public transportation (as defined in section
15	5302(a)(10)) provided on, by, or using a fixed guide-
16	way (as defined in section 5302(a)(4));
17	"(4) the term 'public transportation authority
18	means a local governmental authority (as defined in
19	section 5302(a)(6)) established to provide, or make
20	a contract providing for, fixed guideway transpor-
21	tation;

"(5) the term 'rail carrier' means a person, other than a governmental authority, providing common carrier railroad transportation for compensation subject to the jurisdiction of the Board under chapter 105;

"(6) the term 'segregated fixed guideway facility' means a fixed guideway facility constructed within the railroad right-of-way of a rail carrier but physically separate from trackage, including relocated trackage, within the right-of-way used by a rail carrier for freight transportation purposes; and

"(7) the term 'trackage' means a railroad line of a rail carrier, including a spur, industrial, team, switching, side, yard, or station track, and a facility of a rail carrier.

# 16 "§ 28502. Surface Transportation Board adjudication

# 17 of trackage use requests

"(a) AUTHORITY.—If, after a reasonable period of 19 negotiation, a public transportation authority cannot 20 reach agreement with a rail carrier to use trackage of, and 21 have related services provided by, the rail carrier for pur-22 poses of fixed guideway transportation, the public trans-23 portation authority or the rail carrier may apply to the 24 Board for adjudication. The applicant may request any 25 type of binding or nonbinding adjudication procedures, in-

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- 1 cluding mediation, arbitration, or a hearing, that the
- 2 Board has in place at the time of the application. The
- 3 public transportation authority or rail carrier may only re-
- 4 quest binding adjudication if the authority and the carrier
- 5 have engaged in nonbinding mediation with respect to the
- 6 trackage and related services by the Board in accordance
- 7 with the mediation process of section 1109.4 of title 49,
- 8 Code of Federal Regulations, as in effect on the date of
- 9 enactment of this section. If the Board, after a binding
- 10 adjudication procedure, finds it necessary to carry out this
- 11 chapter, the Board may—
- "(1) order that the trackage be made available
- and the related services be provided to the public
- transportation authority; and
- 15 "(2) prescribe reasonable terms, conditions, and
- 16 compensation for use of the trackage and provision
- of the related services.
- 18 "(b) Rail Capacity and Quality of Service
- 19 Standards for Issuing Order.—The Board may issue
- 20 an order under subsection (a) only if the Board finds—
- 21 "(1) that sufficient track capacity exists to ac-
- commodate the trackage that would be made avail-
- able, and the related services that would be provided,
- 24 under the order; and

- 1 "(2) the trackage that would be made available,
- 2 and the related services that would be provided,
- 3 under the order would not adversely affect the qual-
- 4 ity of service provided by the rail carrier.
- 5 "(c) Standard for Reasonable Compensa-
- 6 TION.—When prescribing reasonable compensation under
- 7 subsection (a)(2), the Board shall consider alternative cost
- 8 allocation principles, including incremental cost and fully
- 9 allocated cost. The Board shall consider rail capacity and
- 10 quality of service provided by the rail carrier as major fac-
- 11 tors when determining compensation for the use of the
- 12 trackage and providing the related services.
- 13 "(d) Final Determination.—The Board shall
- 14 make a determination under this section not later than
- 15 120 days in the case of a nonbinding proceeding, and 180-
- 16 days in the case of a binding proceeding, after a public
- 17 transportation authority or a rail carrier submits an appli-
- 18 cation to the Board.
- 19 "§ 28503. Surface Transportation Board adjudication
- of rights-of-way use requests
- 21 "(a) General Authority.—If, after a reasonable
- 22 period of negotiation, a public transportation authority
- 23 cannot reach agreement with a rail carrier to acquire an
- 24 interest in a railroad right-of-way for the construction and
- 25 operation of a segregated fixed guideway facility, the pub-

1	lic transportation authority or the rail carrier may apply
2	to the Board for adjudication. The applicant may request
3	any type of binding or nonbinding adjudication proce-
4	dures, including mediation, arbitration, or a hearing, that
5	the Board has in place at the time of the application. The
6	public transportation authority or rail carrier may only re-
7	quest binding adjudication if the authority and the carrier
8	have engaged in nonbinding mediation with respect to the
9	acquisition by the Board in accordance with the mediation
10	process of section 1109.4 of title 49, Code of Federal Reg-
11	ulations, as in effect on the date of enactment of this sec-
12	tion. If the Board, after a binding adjudication procedure,
13	finds it necessary to carry out this chapter, the Board may
14	order the rail carrier to convey an interest to the public
15	transportation authority only if—
16	"(1) the Board finds that—
17	"(A) sufficient right-of-way exists to ac-
18	commodate any necessary relocation of the rail
19	carrier's trackage; and
20	"(B) such conveyance will not adversely af-
21	fect the quality of service provided by the rail
22	carrier;
23	"(2) the public transportation authority as-
24	sumes a reasonable allocation of costs associated

- 1 with any necessary relocation of the rail carrier's
- 2 trackage within the right-of-way; and
- 3 "(3) the fixed guideway transportation purpose
- 4 of the proposed segregated fixed guideway facility
- 5 cannot be met adequately at a reasonable cost by ac-
- 6 quiring an interest in other property.
- 7 "(b) Just Compensation.—A conveyance ordered
- 8 by the Board under this section shall be subject to the
- 9 payment of just compensation and to such other reason-
- 10 able terms as the Board may prescribe.

## 11 "§ 28504. Applicability of other laws

- 12 "(a) Board Review or Approval.—Operations or
- 13 conveyances undertaken pursuant to an order issued
- 14 under section 28502 or 28503 are not subject to Board
- 15 review or approval unless the Board, on a case-by-case
- 16 basis, has determined that the public transportation au-
- 17 thority has assumed rights or obligations under such order
- 18 to provide transportation subject to the jurisdiction of the
- 19 Board under chapter 105.
- 20 "(b) Contractual Obligations for Claims.—
- 21 Nothing in this chapter shall be construed to limit a rail
- 22 transportation provider's right under section 28103(b) to
- 23 enter into contracts that allocate financial responsibility
- 24 for claims.

# " $\S$ 28505. Rules and regulations

2	"Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment
3	of this section, the Board shall issue such rules and regu-
4	lations as may be necessary to carry out this chapter, in-
5	cluding rules to ensure that the Board considers alter-
6	native cost allocation principles under section 28502.".
7	(b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of chapters
8	of such subtitle is amended by adding after the item relat-
9	ing to chapter 283 the following:
	"285. Commuter Rail Transit Enhancement28501".
10	Subtitle B—Federal-Aid Highways
11	SEC. 251. INCREASED FEDERAL SHARE FOR CMAQ
12	PROJECTS.
13	Section 120(c) of title 23, United States Code, is
14	amended—
15	(1) in the subsection heading by striking "FOR
16	CERTAIN SAFETY PROJECTS";
17	(2) by striking "The Federal share" and insert-
18	ing the following:
19	"(1) CERTAIN SAFETY PROJECTS.—The Fed-
20	eral share"; and
21	(3) by adding at the end the following:
22	"(2) CMAQ PROJECTS.—The Federal share
23	payable on account of a project or program carried
24	out under section 149 with funds obligated in fiscal

- 1 year 2008 or 2009, or both, shall be 100 percent of
- 2 the cost thereof.".

## 3 SEC. 252. DISTRIBUTION OF RESCISSIONS.

- 4 (a) In General.—Any unobligated balances of
- 5 amounts that are appropriated from the Highway Trust
- 6 Fund for a fiscal year, and apportioned under chapter 1
- 7 of title 23, United States Code, before, on, or after the
- 8 date of enactment of this Act and that are rescinded after
- 9 such date of enactment shall be distributed within each
- 10 State (as defined in section 101 of such title) among all
- 11 programs for which funds are apportioned under such
- 12 chapter for such fiscal year, to the extent sufficient funds
- 13 remain available for obligation, in the ratio that the
- 14 amount of funds apportioned for each program under such
- 15 chapter for such fiscal year, bears to the amount of funds
- 16 apportioned for all such programs under such chapter for
- 17 such fiscal year.
- 18 (b) Treatment of Transportation Enhance-
- 19 MENT SET-ASIDE AND FUNDS SUBALLOCATED TO SUB-
- 20 STATE AREAS.—Funds set aside under sections 133(d)(2)
- 21 and 133(d)(3) of title 23, United States Code, shall be
- 22 treated as being apportioned under chapter 1 of such title
- 23 for purposes of subsection (a).

1	SEC. 253. SENSE OF CONGRESS REGARDING USE OF COM-
2	PLETE STREETS DESIGN TECHNIQUES.
3	It is the sense of Congress that in constructing new
4	roadways or rehabilitating existing facilities, State and
5	local governments should employ policies designed to ac-
6	commodate all users, including motorists, pedestrians, cy-
7	clists, transit riders, and people of all ages and abilities,
8	in order to—
9	(1) serve all surface transportation users by
10	creating a more interconnected and intermodal sys-
11	tem;
12	(2) create more viable transportation options;
13	and
14	(3) facilitate the use of environmentally-friendly
15	options, such as public transportation, walking, and
16	bicycling.
17	TITLE III—RAILROAD AND
18	PIPELINE TRANSPORTATION
19	Subtitle A—Railroads
20	SEC. 301. GREEN LOCOMOTIVE GRANT PROGRAM.
21	(a) In General.—The Secretary of Transportation
22	shall establish a program for making grants to railroad
23	carriers and State and local governments for assistance
24	in purchasing qualified locomotives.

1	(b) Railroad Carrier Defined.—The term "rail-
2	road carrier" has the meaning that the term has in section
3	20102 of title 49, United States Code.
4	(c) USE OF FUNDS.——
5	(1) Grants.—The Secretary may make a grant
6	to a railroad carrier or a State or local govern-
7	ment—
8	(A) to purchase locomotives, including
9	switch locomotives, that exceed the Environ-
10	mental Protection Agency's emission standards
11	for locomotives and locomotive engines; or
12	(B) to recondition locomotives, including
13	switch locomotives, to ensure that such loco-
14	motives meet or exceed the Environmental Pro-
15	tection Agency's emission standards for loco-
16	motives and locomotive engines.
17	(2) Limitation.—Notwithstanding paragraph
18	(1), no grant under this section may be used to fund
19	the costs of emission reductions that are mandated
20	under Federal, State, or local law.
21	(d) Grant Criteria.—In selecting applicants for
22	grants under this section, the Secretary shall consider—
23	(1) the identified need for locomotives that ex-
24	ceed the Environmental Protection Agency's emis-

- 1 sion standards for locomotives or locomotive engines
- 2 in the areas served by the applicant;
- 3 (2) the benefits of the emissions reductions of 4 the proposed project; and
- 5 (3) the extent to which the applicant dem-
- 6 onstrates innovative strategies and a financial com-
- 7 mitment to increasing energy efficiency and reducing
- 8 greenhouse gas emissions of its railroad operations.
- 9 (e) Competitive Grant Selection.—The Sec-
- 10 retary shall conduct a national solicitation for applications
- 11 for grants under this section and shall select grantees on
- 12 a competitive basis.
- 13 (f) Federal Share.—The Federal share of the
- 14 costs for a project under this section shall not exceed 90
- 15 percent of the project cost.
- 16 (g) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is
- 17 authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary
- 18 \$50,000,000 for each of the fiscal years 2008 through
- 19 2011 to carry out this section. Such funds shall remain
- 20 available until expended.
- 21 SEC. 302. CAPITAL GRANTS FOR RAILROAD TRACK.
- 22 (a) AMENDMENT.—Chapter 223 of title 49, United
- 23 States Code, is amended to read as follows:

# "CHAPTER 223—CAPITAL GRANTS FOR

# 2 RAILROAD TRACK

"Sec.

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"22301. Capital grants for railroad track.

# 3 "§ 22301. Capital grants for railroad track

4	"(a) Establishment of Program.—
5	"(1) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary of
6	Transportation shall establish a program of capital
7	grants for the rehabilitation, preservation, or im-
8	provement of railroad track (including roadbed,
9	bridges, and related track structures) of class II and
10	class III railroads. Such grants shall be for rehabili-
11	tating, preserving, or improving track used primarily
12	for freight transportation to a standard ensuring
13	that the track can be operated safely and efficiently,
14	including grants for rehabilitating, preserving, or im-
15	proving track to handle 286,000 pound rail cars.
16	Grants may be provided under this chapter—
17	"(A) directly to the class II or class III
18	railroad; or
19	"(B) with the concurrence of the class II
20	or class III railroad, to a State or local govern-
21	ment.
22	"(2) State Cooperation.—Class II and class
23	III railroad applicants for a grant under this chap-

ter are encouraged to utilize the expertise and assist-

- ance of State transportation agencies in applying for and administering such grants. State transportation agencies are encouraged to provide such expertise
- 4 and assistance to such railroads.
- 5 "(3) Interim regulations.—Not later than 6 December 31, 2007, the Secretary shall issue tem-7 porary regulations to implement the program under 8 this section. Subchapter II of chapter 5 of title 5 9 does not apply to a temporary regulation issued 10 under this paragraph or to an amendment to such 11 a temporary regulation.
- 12 "(4) Final regulations.—Not later than Oc-13 tober 1, 2008, the Secretary shall issue final regula-14 tions to implement the program under this section.
- 15 "(b) Maximum Federal Share.—The maximum 16 Federal share for carrying out a project under this section
- 17 shall be 80 percent of the project cost. The non-Federal
- 18 share may be provided by any non-Federal source in cash,
- 19 equipment, or supplies. Other in-kind contributions may
- 20 be approved by the Secretary on a case-by-case basis con-
- 21 sistent with this chapter.
- 22 "(c) Project Eligibility.—For a project to be eli-
- 23 gible for assistance under this section the track must have
- 24 been operated or owned by a class II or class III railroad
- 25 as of the date of the enactment of this chapter.

- 1 "(d) Use of Funds.—Grants provided under this
- 2 section shall be used to implement track capital projects
- 3 as soon as possible. In no event shall grant funds be con-
- 4 tractually obligated for a project later than the end of the
- 5 third Federal fiscal year following the year in which the
- 6 grant was awarded. Any funds not so obligated by the end
- 7 of such fiscal year shall be returned to the Secretary for
- 8 reallocation.
- 9 "(e) Employee Protection.—The Secretary shall
- 10 require as a condition of any grant made under this sec-
- 11 tion that the recipient railroad provide a fair arrangement
- 12 at least as protective of the interests of employees who
- 13 are affected by the project to be funded with the grant
- 14 as the terms imposed under section 11326(a), as in effect
- 15 on the date of the enactment of this chapter.
- 16 "(f) Labor Standards.—
- 17 "(1) Prevailing wages.—The Secretary shall
- ensure that laborers and mechanics employed by
- 19 contractors and subcontractors in construction work
- financed by a grant made under this section will be
- 21 paid wages not less than those prevailing on similar
- construction in the locality, as determined by the
- 23 Secretary of Labor under subchapter IV of chapter
- 31 of title 40 (commonly known as the 'Davis-Bacon
- Act'). The Secretary shall make a grant under this

1	section only after being assured that required labor
2	standards will be maintained on the construction
3	work.

- 4 "(2) Wage rates.—Wage rates in a collective 5 bargaining agreement negotiated under the Railway 6 Labor Act (45 U.S.C. 151 et seq.) are deemed for 7 purposes of this subsection to comply with the sub-8 chapter IV of chapter 31 of title 40.
- 9 "(g) STUDY.—The Secretary shall conduct a study 10 of the projects carried out with grant assistance under this 11 section to determine the public interest benefits associated 12 with the light density railroad networks in the States and 13 their contribution to a multimodal transportation system.
- 14 Not later than March 31, 2009, the Secretary shall report
- 15 to Congress any recommendations the Secretary considers
- 16 appropriate regarding the eligibility of light density rail
- 17 networks for Federal infrastructure financing.
- 18 "(h) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There
- 19 are authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary of
- 20 Transportation \$250,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2008
- 21 through 2011 for carrying out this section.".
- 22 (b) Conforming Amendment.—The item relating
- 23 to chapter 223 in the table of chapters of subtitle V of
- 24 title 49, United States Code, is amended to read as fol-
- 25 lows:

# Subtitle B—Pipelines

2	SEC. 311. FEASIBILITY STUDIES.
3	(a) In General.—The Secretary of Energy, in co-
4	ordination with the Secretary of Transportation, shall con-
5	duct feasibility studies for the construction of pipelines
6	dedicated to the transportation of ethanol.
7	(b) REPORT.—Not later than 1 year after the date
8	of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Energy shall
9	submit to the Committee on Transportation and Infra-
10	structure of the House of Representatives and the Com-
11	mittee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the
12	Senate a report on such feasibility studies.
13	(c) Study Factors.—Feasibility studies funded
14	under this subtitle shall include consideration of—
15	(1) existing or potential barriers to the con-
16	struction of pipelines dedicated to the transportation
17	of ethanol, including technical, siting, financing, and
18	regulatory barriers;
19	(2) market risk, including throughput risk;
20	(3) regulatory, financing, and siting options
21	that would mitigate such risk and help ensure the
22	construction of pipelines dedicated to the transpor-

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tation of ethanol;

1	(4) ensuring the safe transportation of ethanol
2	and preventive measures to ensure pipeline integrity;
3	and
4	(5) such other factors as the Secretary of En-
5	ergy considers appropriate.
6	(d) Authorization of Appropriations.—There
7	are authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary of En-
8	ergy to carry out this section \$1,000,000 for each of the
9	fiscal years 2008 and 2009, to remain available until ex-
10	pended.
11	TITLE IV—MARITIME
12	TRANSPORTATION
13	Subtitle A—General Provisions
14	SEC. 401. SHORT SEA TRANSPORTATION INITIATIVE.
15	(a) In General.—Title 46, United States Code, is
16	amended by adding after chapter 555 the following:
17	"CHAPTER 556—SHORT SEA
18	TRANSPORTATION
	"Sec. 55601. Short sea transportation program.  "Sec. 55602. Cargo and shippers.  "Sec. 55603. Financing of short sea transportation projects.  "Sec. 55604. Interagency coordination.  "Sec. 55605. Research on short sea transportation.  "Sec. 55606. Short sea transportation defined.
19	"§ 55601. Short sea transportation program
20	"(a) Establishment.—The Secretary of Transpor-
21	tation shall establish a short sea transportation program

- 1 and designate short sea transportation projects to be con-
- 2 ducted under the program to mitigate landside congestion.
- 3 "(b) Program Elements.—The program shall en-
- 4 courage the use of short sea transportation through the
- 5 development and expansion of—
- 6 "(1) documented vessels;
- 7 "(2) shipper utilization;
- 8 "(3) port and landside infrastructure; and
- 9 "(4) marine transportation strategies by State
- and local governments.
- 11 "(c) Short Sea Transportation Routes.—The
- 12 Secretary shall designate short sea transportation routes
- 13 as extensions of the surface transportation system to focus
- 14 public and private efforts to use the waterways to relieve
- 15 landside congestion along coastal corridors. The Secretary
- 16 may collect and disseminate data for the designation and
- 17 delineation of short sea transportation routes.
- 18 "(d) Project Designation.—The Secretary may
- 19 designate a project to be a short sea transportation project
- 20 if the Secretary determines that the project may—
- 21 "(1) offer a waterborne alternative to available
- 22 landside transportation services using documented
- vessels; and
- 24 "(2) provide transportation services for pas-
- sengers or freight (or both) that may reduce conges-

1	tion on landside infrastructure using documented
2	vessels.
3	"(e) Elements of Program.—For a short sea
4	transportation project designated under this section, the
5	Secretary of Transportation may—
6	"(1) promote the development of short sea
7	transportation services;
8	"(2) coordinate, with ports, State departments
9	of transportation, localities, other public agencies,
10	and the private sector and on the development of
11	landside facilities and infrastructure to support
12	short sea transportation services; and
13	"(3) develop performance measures for the
14	short sea transportation program.
15	"(f) Multi-State, State and Regional Trans-
16	PORTATION PLANNING.—The Secretary, in consultation
17	with Federal entities and State and local governments,
18	shall develop strategies to encourage the use of short sea
19	transportation for transportation of passengers and cargo.
20	The Secretary shall—
21	"(1) assess the extent to which States and local
22	governments include short sea transportation and

other marine transportation solutions in their trans-

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portation planning;

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"(2) encourage State departments of transportation to develop strategies, where appropriate, to incorporate short sea transportation, ferries, and other marine transportation solutions for regional and interstate transport of freight and passengers in

their transportation planning; and

7 "(3) encourage groups of States and multi-8 State transportation entities to determine how short 9 sea transportation can address congestion, bottle-10 necks, and other interstate transportation chal-11 lenges.

## 12 "§ 55602. Cargo and shippers

- 13 "(a) Memorandums of Agreement.—The Sec-
- 14 retary of Transportation shall enter into memorandums
- 15 of understanding with the heads of other Federal entities
- 16 to transport federally owned or generated cargo using a
- 17 short sea transportation project designated under section
- 18 55601 when practical or available.
- 19 "(b) SHORT-TERM INCENTIVES.—The Secretary
- 20 shall consult shippers and other participants in transpor-
- 21 tation logistics and develop proposals for short-term incen-
- 22 tives to encourage the use of short sea transportation.

- 1 "§ 55603. Financing of short sea transportation
- 2 projects
- 3 "(a) AUTHORITY TO MAKE LOAN GUARANTEE.—The
- 4 Secretary of Transportation, subject to the availability of
- 5 appropriations, may make a loan guarantee for the financ-
- 6 ing of the construction, reconstruction, or reconditioning
- 7 of a vessel that will be used for a short sea transportation
- 8 project designated under section 55601.
- 9 "(b) Terms and Conditions.—In making a loan
- 10 guarantee under this section, the Secretary shall use the
- 11 authority, terms, and conditions that apply to a loan guar-
- 12 antee made under chapter 537.
- 13 "(c) General Limitations.—The total unpaid
- 14 principal amount of obligations guaranteed under this
- 15 chapter and outstanding at one time may not exceed
- 16 \$2,000,000,000.
- 17 "(d) Full Faith and Credit.—The full faith and
- 18 credit of the United States Government is pledged to the
- 19 payment of a guarantee made under this chapter, for both
- 20 principal and interest, including interest (as may be pro-
- 21 vided for in the guarantee) accruing between the date of
- 22 default under a guaranteed obligation and the date of pay-
- 23 ment in full of the guarantee.
- 24 "(e) Authorization of Appropriations.—There
- 25 is authorized to be appropriated \$25,000,000 to carry out
- 26 this section for each of fiscal years 2008 through 2011.

## 1 "§ 55604. Interagency coordination

- 2 "The Secretary of Transportation shall establish a
- 3 board to identify and seek solutions to impediments hin-
- 4 dering effective use of short sea transportation. The board
- 5 shall include representatives of other Federal, State, and
- 6 local governmental entities and private sector entities.

## 7 "§ 55605. Research on short sea transportation

- 8 "The Secretary of Transportation may conduct re-
- 9 search on short sea transportation, regarding—
- "(1) the environmental and transportation ben-
- efits to be derived from short sea transportation al-
- ternatives for other forms of transportation;
- "(2) technology, vessel design, and other im-
- provements that would reduce emissions, increase
- 15 fuel economy, and lower costs of short sea transpor-
- tation and increase the efficiency of intermodal
- transfers; and
- 18 "(3) identify and seek solutions to impediments
- 19 to short sea transportation projects designated
- under section 55601.

## 21 "§ 55606. Short sea transportation defined

- 22 "In this chapter, the term 'short sea transportation'
- 23 means the carriage by vessel of cargo—
- 24 "(1) that is—
- 25 "(A) contained in intermodal cargo con-
- tainers and loaded by crane on the vessel; or

1	"(B) loaded on the vessel by means of
2	wheeled technology; and
3	"(2) that is—
4	"(A) loaded at a port in the United States
5	and unloaded at another port in the United
6	States or a port in Canada located in the Great
7	Lakes Saint Lawrence Seaway System; or
8	"(B) loaded at a port in Canada located in
9	the Great Lakes Saint Lawrence Seaway Sys-
10	tem and unloaded at a port in the United
11	States.".
12	(b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of chapters
13	at the beginning of subtitle V of such title is amended
14	by inserting after the item relating to chapter 555 the fol-
15	lowing:
	"556. Short Sea Transportation
16	(c) REGULATIONS.—
17	(1) Interim regulations.—Not later than
18	December 31, 2007, the Secretary of Transportation
19	shall issue temporary regulations to implement the
20	program under this section. Subchapter II of chap-
21	ter 5 of title 5, United States Code, does not apply
22	to a temporary regulation issued under this para-
23	graph or to an amendment to such a temporary reg-
24	ulation.

1	(2) Final regulations.—Not later than Oc-
2	tober 1, 2008, the Secretary shall issue final regula-
3	tions to implement the program under this section.
4	SEC. 402. SHORT SEA SHIPPING ELIGIBILITY FOR CAPITAL
5	CONSTRUCTION FUND.
6	(a) Definition of Qualified Vessel.—Section
7	53501 of title 46, United States Code, is amended—
8	(1) in paragraph (5)(A)(iii) by striking "or non-
9	contiguous domestic" and inserting "noncontiguous
10	domestic, or short sea transportation trade"; and
11	(2) by inserting after paragraph (6) the fol-
12	lowing:
13	"(6) Short sea transportation trade.—
14	The term 'short sea transportation trade' means the
15	carriage by vessel of cargo—
16	"(A) that is—
17	"(i) contained in intermodal cargo
18	containers and loaded by crane on the ves-
19	sel; or
20	"(ii) loaded on the vessel by means of
21	wheeled technology; and
22	"(B) that is—
23	"(i) loaded at a port in the United
24	States and unloaded at another port in the
25	United States or a port in Canada located

1	in the Great Lakes Saint Lawrence Sea-
2	way System; or
3	"(ii) loaded at a port in Canada lo-
4	cated in the Great Lakes Saint Lawrence
5	Seaway System and unloaded at a port in
6	the United States.".
7	(b) Allowable Purpose.—Section 53503(b) of
8	such title is amended by striking "or noncontiguous do-
9	mestic trade" and inserting "noncontiguous domestic, or
10	short sea transportation trade".
11	SEC. 403. REPORT.
12	Not later than one year after the date of enactment
13	of this Act, the Secretary of Transportation shall submit
14	to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure
15	of the House of Representatives and the Committee or
16	Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate a
17	report on the short sea transportation program established
18	under the amendments made by section 401. The report
19	shall include a description of the activities conducted
20	under the program, and any recommendations for further
21	legislative or administrative action that the Secretary con-
22	siders appropriate.
23	SEC. 404. GREEN PORTS INITIATIVE.
24	(a) In General.—

1	(1) Development and implementation.—
2	The Secretary of Transportation shall develop and
3	implement a green port initiative to promote the use
4	of technologies in United States ports and shipyards
5	to reduce air emissions including particulate matter,
6	nitrogen oxides, sulfur oxides, and carbon
7	monoxides. The program may include—
8	(A) use of electric and low-emission vehi-
9	cles for cargo handling equipment;
10	(B) use of electric shore power and low
11	pollution auxiliary engines for vessels in port;
12	(C) use of energy efficient lighting and
13	other electrical products in ports;
14	(D) use of best management practices to
15	decrease emissions;
16	(E) use of technology and best manage-
17	ment practices to prevent pollution of the wa-
18	ters in ports;
19	(F) use of other energy efficient or low
20	emission technologies that the Secretary con-
21	siders necessary.
22	(2) Green Port Award.—The Secretary may
23	issue a green port award to a port that meets the
24	standards for that award prescribed by the Sec-
25	retary for low emissions and pollution by a port.

1	(b) CLEAN TECHNOLOGY ASSISTANCE.—
2	(1) In general.—The Secretary may provide
3	grants and low-cost revolving loans, as determined
4	by the Secretary, on a competitive basis, to ports
5	terminal operators, and shipyards to achieve signifi-
6	cant reductions in diesel emissions of particulate
7	matter, nitrogen oxides, and sulfur oxides in United
8	States ports.
9	(2) Prioritization.—The Secretary shall pro-
10	vide grants and loans to the applicants that will use
11	the funds provided to remove the largest amount of
12	pollutants for each dollar provided in the grant or
13	loan.
14	(3) Applications.—
15	(A) In general.—To receive a grant or
16	loan under this subsection, a port, terminal op-
17	erator, or shipyard shall submit to the Sec-
18	retary an application at a time, in a manner
19	and including any information that the Sec-
20	retary may require.
21	(B) Inclusions.—An application under
22	this paragraph shall include—
23	(i) a description of the air quality of
24	the area served by the port, terminal oper-

ator, or shipyard;

1	(ii) the quantity of air pollution pro-
2	duced in the port area served by the port,
3	terminal operator, or shipyard;
4	(iii) a description of the project pro-
5	posed by the port, terminal operator, or
6	shipyard, including the means by which the
7	project will achieve a significant reduction
8	in diesel emissions;
9	(iv) an evaluation (using methodology
10	approved by the Secretary) of the benefits
11	of the emissions reductions of the proposed
12	project;
13	(v) an estimate of the cost of the pro-
14	posed project; and
15	(vi) provisions for the monitoring and
16	verification of the project.
17	(4) Use of funds.—
18	(A) In general.—A port, terminal oper-
19	ator, or shipyard may use a grant or loan pro-
20	vided under this subsection to fund the costs
21	of—
22	(i) a technology (including any incre-
23	mental costs of a repowered or new diesel
24	engine) that significantly reduces emissions
25	through development and implementation

1	of a certified engine configuration, verified
2	technology, or emerging technology for—
3	(I) a medium-duty truck or a
4	heavy-duty truck;
5	(II) a marine engine;
6	(III) a nonroad engine or vehicle
7	used in applications such as handling
8	of cargo; and
9	(IV) electric shore power and low
10	pollution auxiliary engines for vessels
11	in port; and
12	(ii) an idle-reduction program involv-
13	ing a vehicle or equipment.
14	(B) REGULATORY PROGRAMS.—Notwith-
15	standing paragraph (1), no grant or loan pro-
16	vided under this subsection may be used to
17	fund the costs of emissions reductions that are
18	mandated under Federal, State, or local law.
19	(C) Engines.—A recipient of a grant or
20	loan under this subsection may only use the
21	funds under the grant or loan for engines that
22	are certified for low emissions and technology
23	that has been verified in a manner prescribed
24	by the Secretary as producing low emissions.

- 1 (5) FEDERAL SHARE.—The Federal share of 2 the costs for a project for which a grant is made 3 under this subsection may not exceed 90 percent.
  - (6) Limitation on amount.—A grant or loan under this subsection may not exceed \$1,000,000.
  - (7) TECHNICAL REVIEW TEAM.—The Secretary shall establish a technical review team comprised of members from agencies within the Department of Transportation to review proposals for grants and loans under this subsection. The Secretary shall select agencies to serve as review panel participants based on the Secretary's determination that they possess the necessary expertise and knowledge to evaluate the proposals.
  - (8) Authorization of appropriations.—
    There is authorized to be appropriated \$25,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2008 through 2011 to carry out this subsection.

### (c) Use of Settlement Amounts.—

(1) In GENERAL.—The Secretary, acting through the Maritime Administrator, shall consult with the Attorney General regarding the payment to maritime emission reduction foundations authorized by the Administrator of amounts collected by the Government as a result of settlements relating to al-

- legations of violations of environmental laws related to vessels, ports, and port-related services.
- 3 (2) USE OF AMOUNTS.—Such amounts shall be
  4 used by such a foundation for the development of
  5 technologies, including best management practices,
  6 related to compliance with marine emissions reduc7 tion, as determined appropriate by the Maritime Administrator.

#### (d) Testing Program.—

- (1) In GENERAL.—The Secretary, acting through the Maritime Administrator, may establish a cooperative partnership with the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, or any other agency the Secretary determines to be appropriate, to test emissions reduction technology on actual vessels.
- (2) Technologies to be tested.—The program under this subsection shall be based on emergent and existing technologies that have been verified effective under laboratory conditions.
- (3) Maintenance of Vessel Usability.—
  Any technology tested under this subsection must not permanently alter or render the vessel on which it is tested ineffective for long-term Maritime Administration use.

1	(4) Administration priorities and
2	NEEDS.—The Secretary shall designate vessels as
3	platforms for testing under this subsection in ac-
4	cordance with Maritime Administration priorities
5	and needs.
6	(5) Authorization of appropriations.—
7	There is authorized to be appropriated to the Sec-
8	retary \$6,000,000 to administer and implement co-
9	operative partnerships established under paragraph
10	(1).
11	Subtitle B—Maritime Pollution
12	SEC. 451. REFERENCES.
13	Wherever in this subtitle an amendment or repeal is
14	expressed in terms of an amendment to or a repeal of a
15	section or other provision, the reference shall be consid-
16	ered to be made to a section or other provision of the Act
17	to Prevent Pollution from Ships (33 U.S.C. 1901 et seq.).
18	SEC. 452. DEFINITIONS.
19	Section 2(a) (33 U.S.C. 1901(a)) is amended—
20	(1) by redesignating the paragraphs (1)
21	through (12) as paragraphs (2) through (13), re-
22	spectively;
23	(2) by inserting before paragraph (2) (as so re-
24	designated) the following:

1	"(1) 'Administrator' means the Administrator
2	of the Environmental Protection Agency.";
3	(3) in paragraph (5) (as so redesignated) by
4	striking "and V" and inserting "V, and VI";
5	(4) in paragraph (6) (as so redesignated) by
6	striking "'discharge' and 'garbage' and 'harmful
7	substance' and 'incident'" and inserting "'dis-
8	charge', 'emission', 'garbage', 'harmful substance',
9	and 'incident'"; and
10	(5) by redesignating paragraphs (7) through
11	(13) (as redesignated) as paragraphs (8) through
12	(14), respectively, and inserting after paragraph (6)
13	(as redesignated) the following:
14	"(7) 'navigable waters' includes the territorial
15	sea of the United States (as defined in Presidential
16	Proclamation 5928 of December 27, 1988) and the
17	internal waters of the United States;".
18	SEC. 453. APPLICABILITY.
19	Section 3 (33 U.S.C. 1902) is amended—
20	(1) in subsection (a)—
21	(A) by striking "and" at the end of para-
22	graph (3);
23	(B) by striking the period at the end of
24	paragraph (4) and inserting "; and; and
25	(C) by adding at the end the following:

1	"(5) with respect to Annex VI to the Conven-
2	tion, and other than with respect to a ship referred
3	to in paragraph (1)—
4	"(A) to a ship that is in a port, shipyard,
5	offshore terminal, or the internal waters of the
6	United States;
7	"(B) to a ship that is bound for, or depart-
8	ing from, a port, shipyard, offshore terminal, or
9	the internal waters of the United States, and is
10	in—
11	"(i) the navigable waters of the
12	United States;
13	"(ii) an emission control area des-
14	ignated pursuant to section 4; or
15	"(iii) any other area that the Admin-
16	istrator, in consultation with the Secretary
17	and each State in which any part of the
18	area is located, has designated by order as
19	being an area from which emissions from
20	ships are of concern with respect to protec-
21	tion of public health, welfare, or the envi-
22	ronment;
23	"(C) to a ship that is entitled to fly the
24	flag of, or operating under the authority of, a
25	party to Annex VI, and is in—

1	"(i) the navigable waters of the
2	United States;
3	"(ii) an emission control area des-
4	ignated under section 4; or
5	"(iii) any other area that the Admin-
6	istrator, in consultation with the Secretary
7	and each State in which any part of the
8	area is located, has designated by order as
9	being an area from which emissions from
10	ships are of concern with respect to protec-
11	tion of public health, welfare, or the envi-
12	ronment; and
13	"(D) to the extent consistent with inter-
14	national law, to any other ship that is in—
15	"(i) the exclusive economic zone of the
16	United States;
17	"(ii) the navigable waters of the
18	United States;
19	"(iii) an emission control area des-
20	ignated under section 4; or
21	"(iv) any other area that the Adminis-
22	trator, in consultation with the Secretary
23	and each State in which any part of the
24	area is located, has designated by order as
25	being an area from which emissions from

1	ships are of concern with respect to protec-
2	tion of public health, welfare, or the envi-
3	ronment.";
4	(2) in subsection (b)—
5	(A) in paragraph (1) by striking "para-
6	graph (2)" and inserting "paragraphs (2) and
7	(3)"; and
8	(B) by adding at the end the following:
9	"(3) With respect to Annex VI the Administrator, or
10	the Secretary, as relevant to their authorities pursuant to
11	this Act, may determine that some or all of the require-
12	ments under this Act shall apply to one or more classes
13	of public vessels, except that such a determination by the
14	Administrator shall have no effect unless the head of the
15	Department or agency under which the vessels operate
16	concurs in the determination. This paragraph does not
17	apply during time of war or during a declared national
18	emergency.";
19	(3) by redesignating subsections (c) through (g)
20	as subsections (d) through (h), respectively; and
21	(4) by inserting after subsection (b) the fol-
22	lowing:
23	"(c) Application to Other Persons.—This Act
24	shall apply to all persons to the extent necessary to ensure
25	compliance with Annex VI to the Convention."; and

1	(5) in subsection (e), as redesignated—
2	(A) by inserting "or the Administrator,
3	consistent with section 4 of this Act," after
4	"Secretary";
5	(B) by striking "of section (3)" and insert-
6	ing "of this section"; and
7	(C) by striking "Protocol, including regula-
8	tions conforming to and giving effect to the re-
9	quirements of Annex V" and inserting "Pro-
10	tocol (or the applicable Annex), including regu-
11	lations conforming to and giving effect to the
12	requirements of Annex V and Annex VI".
13	SEC. 454. ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT.
14	Section 4 (33 U.S.C. 1903) is amended—
15	(1) by redesignating subsections (b) and (c) as
16	subsections (c) and (d), respectively; and
17	(2) by inserting after subsection (a) the fol-
18	lowing:
19	"(b) Duty of the Administrator.—In addition to
20	other duties specified in this Act, the Administrator and
21	the Secretary, respectively, shall have the following duties
22	and authorities:
23	"(1) The Administrator shall, and no other per-
24	son may, issue Engine International Air Pollution
25	Prevention certificates in accordance with Anney VI

1	and the International Maritime Organization's Tech-
2	nical Code on Control of Emissions of Nitrogen Ox-
3	ides from Marine Diesel Engines, on behalf of the
4	United States for a vessel of the United States as
5	that term is defined in section 116 of title 46,
6	United States Code. The issuance of Engine Inter-
7	national Air Pollution Prevention certificates shall
8	be consistent with any applicable requirements of
9	the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401 et seq.) or regu-
10	lations prescribed under that Act.
11	"(2) The Administrator shall have authority to
12	administer regulations 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18,
13	and 19 of Annex VI to the Convention.
14	"(3) The Administrator shall, only as specified
15	in section 8(f), have authority to enforce Annex VI
16	of the Convention."; and
17	(3) in subsection (c), as redesignated—
18	(A) by redesignating paragraph (2) as
19	paragraph (4); and
20	(B) by inserting after paragraph (1) the
21	following:
22	"(2) In addition to the authority the Secretary has
23	to prescribe regulations under this Act, the Administrator
24	shall also prescribe any necessary or desired regulations

to carry out the provisions of regulations 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, and 19 of Annex VI to the Convention. 3 "(3) In prescribing any regulations under this section, the Secretary and the Administrator shall consult with each other, and with respect to regulation 19, with 6 the Secretary of the Interior."; and 7 (C) by adding at the end the following: "(5) No standard issued by any person or Federal 8 authority, with respect to emissions from tank vessels sub-10 ject to regulation 15 of Annex VI to the Convention, shall be effective until 6 months after the required notification to the International Maritime Organization by the Sec-13 retary.". 14 SEC. 455. CERTIFICATES. 15 Section 5 (33 U.S.C. 1904) is amended— (1) in subsection (a) by striking "The Sec-16 17 retary" and inserting "Except as provided in section 18 4(b)(1), the Secretary"; 19 (2) in subsection (b) by striking "Secretary 20 under the authority of the MARPOL protocol." and 21 inserting "Secretary or the Administrator under the 22 authority of this Act."; and (3) in subsection (e) by striking "environment." 23

and inserting "environment or the public health and

welfare.".

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### 1 SEC. 456. RECEPTION FACILITIES.

2	Section 6 (33 U.S.C. 1905) is amended—
3	(1) in subsection (a) by adding at the end the
4	following:
5	"(3) The Secretary and the Administrator, after con-
6	sulting with appropriate Federal agencies, shall jointly
7	prescribe regulations setting criteria for determining the
8	adequacy of reception facilities for receiving ozone deplet
9	ing substances, equipment containing such substances
10	and exhaust gas cleaning residues at a port or terminal
11	and stating any additional measures and requirements as
12	are appropriate to ensure such adequacy. Persons in
13	charge of ports and terminals shall provide reception fa-
14	cilities, or ensure that reception facilities are available, in
15	accordance with those regulations. The Secretary and the
16	Administrator may jointly prescribe regulations to certify
17	and may issue certificates to the effect, that a port's or
18	terminal's facilities for receiving ozone depleting sub-
19	stances, equipment containing such substances, and ex-
20	haust gas cleaning residues from ships are adequate.";
21	(2) in subsection (b) by inserting "or the Ad-
22	ministrator" after "Secretary";
23	(3) in subsection (e) by striking paragraph (2)
24	and inserting the following:
25	"(2) The Secretary may deny the entry of a ship to
26	a port or terminal required by the MARPOL Protocol, this

- 1 Act, or regulations prescribed under this section relating
- 2 to the provision of adequate reception facilities for gar-
- 3 bage, ozone depleting substances, equipment containing
- 4 those substances, or exhaust gas cleaning residues, if the
- 5 port or terminal is not in compliance with the MARPOL
- 6 Protocol, this Act, or those regulations.";
- 7 (4) in subsection (f)(1) by striking "Secretary
- 8 is" and inserting "Secretary and the Administrator
- 9 are"; and
- 10 (5) in subsection (f)(2) by striking "(A)".
- 11 SEC. 457. INSPECTIONS.
- Section 8(f) (33 U.S.C. 1907(f)) is amended to read
- 13 as follows:
- 14 "(f)(1) The Secretary may inspect a ship to which
- 15 this Act applies as provided under section 3(a)(5), to
- 16 verify whether the ship is in compliance with Annex VI
- 17 to the Convention and this Act.
- 18 "(2) If an inspection under this subsection or any
- 19 other information indicates that a violation has occurred,
- 20 the Secretary, or the Administrator in a matter referred
- 21 by the Secretary, may undertake enforcement action under
- 22 this section.
- 23 "(3) Notwithstanding subsection (b) and paragraph
- 24 (2) of this subsection, the Administrator shall have all of
- 25 the authorities of the Secretary, as specified in subsection

1	(b) of this section, for the purposes of enforcing regula-
2	tions 17 and 18 of Annex VI to the Convention to the
3	extent that shoreside violations are the subject of the ac-
4	tion and in any other matter referred to the Administrator
5	by the Secretary.".
6	SEC. 458. AMENDMENTS TO THE PROTOCOL.
7	Section 10(b) (33 U.S.C. 1909(b)) is amended by in-
8	serting "or the Administrator as provided for in this Act,"
9	after "Secretary,".
10	SEC. 459. PENALTIES.
11	Section 9 (33 U.S.C. 1908) is amended—
12	(1) by striking "Protocol,," each place it ap-
13	pears and inserting "Protocol,";
14	(2) in subsection (b) by inserting ", or the Ad-
15	ministrator as provided for in this Act" after "Sec-
16	retary" the first place it appears;
17	(3) in subsection (b)(2), by inserting ", or the
18	Administrator as provided for in this Act," after
19	"Secretary";
20	(4) in the matter after paragraph (2) of sub-
21	section (b)—
22	(A) by inserting ", or the Administrator as
23	provided for in this Act" after "Secretary" the
24	first place it appears; and

(B) by inserting ", or the Administrator as 1 2 provided for in this Act," after "Secretary" the second and third places it appears; 3 (5) in subsection (c) by inserting ", or the Ad-4 ministrator as provided for in this Act," after "Sec-5 6 retary" each place it appears; and (6) in subsection (f) by inserting ", or the Ad-7 ministrator as provided for in this Act" after "Sec-8 9 retary" the first place appears. 10 SEC. 460. EFFECT ON OTHER LAWS. 11 Section 15 (33 U.S.C. 1911) is amended to read as 12 follows: 13 "SEC. 15. EFFECT ON OTHER LAWS. 14 "Authorities, requirements, and remedies of this Act 15 supplement and neither amend nor repeal any other authorities, requirements, or remedies conferred by any 16 17 other provision of law. Nothing in this Act shall limit, 18 deny, amend, modify, or repeal any other authority, re-19 quirement, or remedy available to the United States or any other person, except as expressly provided in this

21 Act.".

1	TITLE V—AVIATION
2	SEC. 501. CLEEN ENGINE AND AIRFRAME TECHNOLOGY
3	PARTNERSHIP.
4	(a) Cooperative Agreement.—Subchapter I of
5	chapter 475 is amended by adding at the end the fol-
6	lowing:
7	"§ 47511. CLEEN engine and airframe technology
8	partnership
9	"(a) In General.—The Administrator of the Fed-
10	eral Aviation Administration shall enter into a cooperative
11	agreement, using a competitive process, with an institu-
12	tion, entity, or consortium to carry out a program for the
13	development, maturing, and certification of CLEEN en-
14	gine and airframe technology for aircraft over the next $10$
15	years.
16	"(b) CLEEN Engine and Airframe Technology
17	DEFINED.—In this section, the term 'CLEEN engine and
18	airframe technology' means continuous lower energy,
19	emissions, and noise engine and airframe technology.
20	"(c) Performance Objective.—The Adminis-
21	trator shall establish the following performance objectives
22	for the program, to be achieved by September 30, 2015:
23	"(1) Development of certifiable aircraft tech-
24	nology that reduces greenhouse gas emissions by in-

- 1 creasing aircraft fuel efficiency by 25 percent rel-2 ative to 1997 subsonic jet aircraft technology.
- "(2) Development of certifiable engine technology that reduces landing and takeoff cycle nitrogen oxide emissions by 50 percent, without increasing other gaseous or particle emissions, over the International Civil Aviation Organization standard adopted in 2004.
  - "(3) Development of certifiable aircraft technology that reduces noise levels by 10 decibels at each of the 3 certification points relative to 1997 subsonic jet aircraft technology.
  - "(4) Determination of the feasibility of the use of alternative fuels in aircraft systems, including successful demonstration and quantification of the benefits of such fuels.
  - "(5) Determination of the extent to which new engine and aircraft technologies may be used to retrofit or re-engine aircraft to increase the integration of retrofitted and re-engined aircraft into the commercial fleet.
- 22 "(d) Funding.—Of amounts appropriated under sec-
- 23 tion 48102(a), not more than the following amounts may
- 24 be used to carry out this section:
- 25 "(1) \$6,000,000 for fiscal year 2008.

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- 1 "(2) \$22,000,000 for fiscal year 2009.
- 2 "(3) \$33,000,000 for fiscal year 2010.
- 3 "(4) \$50,000,000 for fiscal year 2011.
- 4 "(e) Report.—Beginning in fiscal year 2009, the
- 5 Administrator shall publish an annual report on the pro-
- 6 gram established under this section until completion of the
- 7 program.".
- 8 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The analysis for such
- 9 subchapter is amended by adding at the end the following: "47511. CLEEN engine and airframe technology partnership.".

#### 10 SEC. 502. ENVIRONMENTAL MITIGATION PILOT PROGRAM.

- 11 (a) Establishment.—The Secretary of Transpor-
- 12 tation shall establish a pilot program to carry out not
- 13 more than 6 environmental mitigation demonstration
- 14 projects at public-use airports.
- 15 (b) Grants.—In implementing the program, the Sec-
- 16 retary may make a grant to the sponsor of a public-use
- 17 airport from funds apportioned under section
- 18 47117(e)(1)(A) of title 49, United States Code, to carry
- 19 out an environmental mitigation demonstration project to
- 20 measurably reduce or mitigate aviation impacts on noise,
- 21 air quality, or water quality in the vicinity of the airport.
- 22 (c) Eligibility for Passenger Facility Fees.—
- 23 An environmental mitigation demonstration project that
- 24 receives funds made available under this section may be

- 1 considered an eligible airport-related project for purposes
- 2 of section 40117 of such title.
- 3 (d) Selection Criteria.—In selecting among ap-
- 4 plicants for participation in the program, the Secretary
- 5 shall give priority consideration to applicants proposing to
- 6 carry out environmental mitigation demonstration projects
- 7 that will—
- 8 (1) achieve the greatest reductions in aircraft
- 9 noise, airport emissions, or airport water quality im-
- pacts either on an absolute basis or on a per dollar
- of funds expended basis; and
- 12 (2) be implemented by an eligible consortium.
- 13 (e) Federal Share.—Notwithstanding any provi-
- 14 sion of subchapter I of chapter 471 of such title, the
- 15 United States Government share of allowable project costs
- 16 of an environmental mitigation demonstration project car-
- 17 ried out under this section shall be 50 percent.
- 18 (f) Maximum Amount.—The Secretary may not
- 19 make grants for a single environmental mitigation dem-
- 20 onstration project under this section in a total amount
- 21 that exceeds \$2,500,000.
- 22 (g) Publication of Information.—The Secretary
- 23 may develop and publish information on the results of en-
- 24 vironmental mitigation demonstration projects carried out
- 25 under this section, including information identifying best

1	practices for reducing or mitigating aviation impacts on
2	noise, air quality, or water quality in the vicinity of air-
3	ports.
4	(h) Definitions.—In this section, the following defi-
5	nitions apply:
6	(1) ELIGIBLE CONSORTIUM.—The term "eligi-
7	ble consortium" means a consortium of 2 or more of
8	the following entities:
9	(A) A business incorporated in the United
10	States.
11	(B) A public or private educational or re-
12	search organization located in the United
13	States.
14	(C) An entity of a State or local govern-
15	ment.
16	(D) A Federal laboratory.
17	(2) Environmental mitigation demonstra-
18	TION PROJECT.—The term "environmental mitiga-
19	tion demonstration project" means a project that—
20	(A) demonstrates at a public-use airport
21	environmental mitigation techniques or tech-
22	nologies with associated benefits, which have al-
23	ready been proven in laboratory demonstra-
24	tions:

1	(B) utilizes methods for efficient adapta-
2	tion or integration of innovative concepts to air-
3	port operations; and
4	(C) demonstrates whether a technique or
5	technology for environmental mitigation identi-
6	fied in research is—
7	(i) practical to implement at or near
8	multiple public-use airports; and
9	(ii) capable of reducing noise, airport
10	emissions, greenhouse gas emissions, or
11	water quality impacts in measurably sig-
12	nificant amounts.
13	TITLE VI—PUBLIC BUILDINGS
14	Subtitle A—General Services
15	Administration
16	SEC. 601. PUBLIC BUILDING ENERGY EFFICIENT AND RE
17	NEWABLE ENERGY SYSTEMS.
18	(a) Estimate of Energy Performance in Pro-
19	SPECTUS.—Section 3307(b) of title 40, United States
20	Code, is amended—
21	(1) by striking "and" at the end of paragraph
22	(5);
23	(2) by striking the period at the end of para-
24	graph (6) and inserting "; and"; and

1	(3) by inserting after paragraph (6) the fol-
2	lowing:
3	"(7) with respect to any prospectus for the con-
4	struction, alteration, or acquisition of any building
5	or space to be leased, an estimate of the future en-
6	ergy performance of the building or space and a spe-
7	cific description of the use of energy efficient and re-
8	newable energy systems, including photovoltaic sys-
9	tems, in carrying out the project.".
10	(b) Minimum Performance Requirements for
11	Leased Space.—Section 3307 of such of title is amend-
12	ed—
13	(1) by redesignating subsections (f) and (g) as
14	subsections (g) and (h), respectively; and
15	(2) by inserting after subsection (e) the fol-
16	lowing:
17	"(f) Minimum Performance Requirements for
18	LEASED SPACE.—With respect to space to be leased, the
19	Administrator shall include, to the maximum extent prac-
20	ticable, minimum performance requirements requiring en-
21	ergy efficiency and the use of renewable energy.".
22	(e) Use of Energy Efficient Lighting Fix-
23	TURES AND BULBS.—
24	(1) In general.—Chapter 33 of such title is
25	amended—

1	(A) by redesignating sections 3313, 3314,
2	and 3315 as sections 3315, 3316, and 3317, re-
3	spectively; and
4	(B) by inserting after section 3312 the fol-
5	lowing:
6	"§ 3313. Use of energy efficient lighting fixtures and
7	bulbs
8	"(a) Construction, Alteration, and Acquisi-
9	TION OF PUBLIC BUILDINGS.—Each public building con-
10	structed, altered, or acquired by the Administrator of Gen-
11	eral Services shall be equipped, to the maximum extent
12	feasible as determined by the Administrator, with lighting
13	fixtures and bulbs that are energy efficient.
14	"(b) Maintenance of Public Buildings.—Each
15	lighting fixture or bulb that is replaced by the Adminis-
16	trator in the normal course of maintenance of public build-
17	ings shall be replaced, to the maximum extent feasible,
18	with a lighting fixture or bulb that is energy efficient.
19	"(c) Considerations.—In making a determination
20	under this section concerning the feasibility of installing
21	a lighting fixture or bulb that is energy efficient, the Ad-
22	ministrator shall consider—
23	"(1) the life-cycle cost effectiveness of the fix-
24	ture or bulb:

- "(2) the compatibility of the fixture or bulb
  with existing equipment;
  "(3) whether use of the fixture or bulb could re-
- 5 "(4) the aesthetics relating to use of the fixture 6 or bulb; and

sult in interference with productivity;

- 7 "(5) such other factors as the Administrator 8 determines appropriate.
- 9 "(d) Energy Star.—A lighting fixture or bulb shall 10 be treated as being energy efficient for purposes of this
- 11 section if—

- 12 "(1) the fixture or bulb is certified under the
- Energy Star program established by section 324A of
- the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (42 U.S.C.
- 15 6294a); or
- 16 "(2) the Administrator has otherwise deter-
- mined that the fixture or bulb is energy efficient.
- 18 "(e) Applicability of Buy American Act.—
- 19 Aquisitions carried out pursuant to this section shall be
- 20 subject to the requirements of the Buy American Act (41
- 21 U.S.C. 10c et seq.).
- 22 "(f) Effective Date.—The requirements of sub-
- 23 sections (a) and (b) shall take effect one year after the
- 24 date of enactment of this subsection.".

1 (2) Conforming amendment.—The analysis

2	for such chapter is amended by striking the items
3	relating to sections 3313, 3314, and 3315 and in-
4	serting the following:
	<ul> <li>"3313. Use of energy efficient lighting fixtures and bulbs.</li> <li>"3314. Maximum period for utility services contracts.</li> <li>"3315. Delegation.</li> <li>"3316. Report to Congress.</li> <li>"3317. Certain authority not affected.".</li> </ul>
5	(d) Maximum Period for Utility Service Con-
6	TRACTS.—Such chapter is further amended by inserting
7	after section 3313 (as inserted by subsection (c)(1) of this
8	section) the following:
9	"§ 3314. Maximum period for utility service contracts
10	"Notwithstanding section $501(b)(1)(B)$ , the Adminis-
11	trator of General Services may contract for public utility
12	services for a period of not more than 30 years if cost
13	effective and necessary to promote the use of energy effi-
14	cient and renewable energy systems, including photovoltaic
15	systems.".
16	(e) Evaluation Factor.—Section 3310 of such
17	title is amended—
18	(1) by striking "and" at the end of paragraph
19	(4);
20	(2) by redesignating paragraphs (3), (4), and
21	(5) as paragraphs (4), (5), and (6), respectively; and
22	(3) by inserting after paragraph (2) the fol-
23	lowing:
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- 1 "(3) shall include in the solicitation for any
- 2 lease requiring a prospectus under section 3307 an
- 3 evaluation factor considering the extent to which the
- 4 offeror will promote energy efficiency and the use of
- 5 renewable energy;".

#### 6 SEC. 602. PUBLIC BUILDING LIFE-CYCLE COSTS.

- 7 Section 544(a)(1) of the National Energy Conserva-
- 8 tion Policy Act (42 U.S.C. 8254(a)(1)) is amended by
- 9 striking "25" and inserting "40".
- 10 SEC. 603. INSTALLATION OF PHOTOVOLTAIC SYSTEM AT
- 11 DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY HEADQUARTERS
- 12 **BUILDING.**
- 13 (a) In General.—The Administrator of General
- 14 Services shall install a photovoltaic system, as set forth
- 15 in the Sun Wall Design Project, for the headquarters
- 16 building of the Department of Energy located at 1000
- 17 Independence Avenue, Southwest, Washington, D.C., com-
- 18 monly known as the Forrestal Building.
- 19 (b) Funding.—There shall be available from the
- 20 Federal Buildings Fund established by section 592 of title
- 21 40, United States Code, \$30,000,000 to carry out this sec-
- 22 tion. Such sums shall be derived from the unobligated bal-
- 23 ance of amounts made available from the Fund for fiscal
- 24 year 2007, and prior fiscal years, for repairs and alter-
- 25 nations and other activities (excluding amounts made

1	available for the energy program). Such sums shall remain
2	available until expended.
3	(c) Obligation of Funds.—None of the funds
4	made available pursuant to subsection (b) may be obli-
5	gated prior to September 30, 2007.
6	Subtitle B—Coast Guard
7	SEC. 631. PROHIBITION ON INCANDESCENT LAMPS BY
8	COAST GUARD.
9	(a) Prohibition.—Except as provided by subsection
10	(b), on and after January 1, 2009, a general service incan-
11	descent lamp shall not be purchased or installed in a Coast
12	Guard facility by or on behalf of the Coast Guard.
13	(b) Exception.—A general service incandescent
14	lamp may be purchased, installed, and used in a Coast
15	Guard facility whenever—
16	(1) the application of a general service incan-
17	descent lamp is—
18	(A) necessary due to purpose or design, in-
19	cluding medical, security, and industrial appli-
20	cations; or
21	(B) reasonable due to the architectural or
22	historical value of a light fixture installed before
23	January 1, 2009; or
24	(C) the Commandant of the Coast Guard
25	determines that operational requirements neces-

- 1 sitate the use of a general service incandescent 2 lamp. 3 (c) LIMITATION.—In this section, the term "facility" does not include a vessel or aircraft of the Coast Guard. Subtitle C—Architect of the Capitol SEC. 651. CAPITOL COMPLEX PHOTOVOLTAIC ROOF FEASI-7 BILITY STUDY. 8 (a) STUDY.—The Architect of the Capitol may perform a feasibility study regarding construction of a photo-10 voltaic roof for the Rayburn House Office Building. 11 (b) Report.—Not later than 6 months after the date 12 of enactment of this Act, the Architect of the Capitol shall transmit to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives a report on the 14 15 results of the feasibility study and recommendations regarding construction of a photovoltaic roof for the building 16 referred to in subsection (a). 18 (c) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is 19 authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section 20 such sums as may be necessary for fiscal year 2008. 21 SEC. 652. CAPITOL COMPLEX E-85 REFUELING STATION.
- 22 (a) Construction.—The Architect of the Capitol
- 23 may construct a fuel tank and pumping system for E-
- 85 fuel at or within close proximity to the Capitol Grounds
- Fuel Station.

- 1 (b) Use.—The E-85 fuel tank and pumping system
- 2 shall be available for use by all legislative branch vehicles
- 3 capable of operating with E-85 fuel, subject to such other
- 4 legislative branch agencies reimbursing the Architect of
- 5 the Capitol for the costs of E-85 fuel used by such other
- 6 legislative branch vehicles.
- 7 (c) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is
- 8 authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section
- 9 such sums as may be necessary for fiscal year 2008.
- 10 SEC. 653. ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL MEASURES IN
- 11 CAPITOL COMPLEX MASTER PLAN.
- 12 (a) In General.—To the maximum extent prac-
- 13 ticable, the Architect of the Capitol shall include energy
- 14 efficiency measures, climate change mitigation measures,
- 15 and other appropriate environmental measures in the Cap-
- 16 itol Complex Master Plan.
- 17 (b) Report.—Not later than 6 months after the date
- 18 of enactment of this Act, the Architect of the Capitol shall
- 19 submit to the Committee on Transportation and Infra-
- 20 structure of the House of Representatives and the Com-
- 21 mittee on Rules of the Senate a report on the energy effi-
- 22 ciency measures, climate change mitigation measures, and
- 23 other appropriate environmental measures included in the
- 24 Capitol Complex Master Plan pursuant to subsection (a).

# TITLE VII—WATER RESOURCES

# 2 AND EMERGENCY MANAGE-

## 3 MENT PREPAREDNESS

### 4 Subtitle A—Water Resources

- 5 SEC. 701. POLICY OF THE UNITED STATES.
- It is the policy of the United States that all Federalwater resources projects—
- 8 (1) reflect national priorities for flood damage 9 reduction, navigation, ecosystem restoration, and 10 hazard mitigation and consider the future impacts of 11 increased hurricanes, droughts, and other climate 12 change related weather events;
  - (2) avoid the unwise use of floodplains, minimize vulnerabilities in any case in which a floodplain must be used, protect and restore the extent and functions of natural systems, and mitigate any unavoidable damage to aquatic natural system; and
  - (3) to the maximum extent possible, avoid impacts to wetlands, which create natural buffers, help filter water, serve as recharge areas for aquifers, reduce floods and erosion and provide valuable plant and animal habitat.

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## 1 SEC. 702. 21ST CENTURY WATER COMMISSION.

2	(a) Establishment.—There is established a com-
3	mission to be known as the "21st Century Water Commis-
4	sion" (in this section referred to as the "Commission").
5	(b) Duties.—The duties of the Commission shall be
6	to—
7	(1) use existing water assessments and conduct
8	such additional studies and assessments as may be
9	necessary to project—
10	(A) future water supply and demand;
11	(B) impacts of climate change to our Na-
12	tion's flood risk and water demand; and
13	(C) associated impacts of climate change
14	on water quality;
15	(2)(A) study current water management pro-
16	grams of Federal, interstate, State, and local agen-
17	cies and private sector entities directed at increasing
18	water supplies and improving the availability, reli-
19	ability, and quality of freshwater resources; and
20	(B) evaluate such programs' hazard mitigation
21	strategies and contingency planning in light of cli-
22	mate change impacts, including sea level rise, flood-
23	ing, and droughts; and
24	(3) consult with representatives of such agen-
25	cies and entities to develop recommendations, con-

- sistent with laws, treaties, decrees, and interstate compacts, for a comprehensive water strategy to—
  - (A) recognize the primary role of States in adjudicating, administering, and regulating water rights and water uses;
  - (B) identify incentives intended to ensure an adequate and dependable supply of water to meet the needs of the United States for the next 50 years and incentives to include the future impacts of climate change on water supply and quality for the next 50 years;
  - (C) eliminate duplication and conflict among Federal governmental programs;
  - (D) consider all available technologies (including climate change predictions, advanced modeling and mapping of wetlands, floodplains, and other critical areas) and other methods to optimize water supply reliability, availability, and quality, while safeguarding and enhancing the environment and planning for the potential impacts of climate change on water quality, water supply, flood and storm damage reduction, and ecosystem health;

1	(E) recommend means of capturing excess
2	water and flood water for conservation and use
3	in the event of a drought;
4	(F) identify adaptation techniques, or fur-
5	ther research needs of adaptation techniques,
6	for effectively conserving freshwater and coastal
7	systems as they respond to climate change;
8	(G) suggest financing options, incentives,
9	and strategies for development of comprehen-
10	sive water management plans, holistically de-
11	signed water resources projects, conservation of
12	existing water resource infrastructure (includ-
13	ing recommendations for repairing aging water
14	infrastructure) and to increase the use of non-
15	structural elements (including green infrastruc-
16	ture and low impact development techniques);
17	(H) suggest strategies for using best avail-
18	able climate science in projections of future
19	flood and drought risk, and for developing haz-
20	ard mitigation strategies to protect water qual-
21	ity, in extreme weather conditions caused by cli-
22	mate change;
23	(I) identify policies that encourage low im-
24	pact development, especially in areas near high

priority aquatic systems;

1	(J) suggest strategies for encouraging the
2	use of, and reducing biases against, non-
3	structural elements and low impact development
4	techniques when managing stormwater, includ-
5	ing features that—
6	(i) preserve and restore natural proc-
7	esses, landforms (such as floodplains), nat-
8	ural vegetated stream side buffers, wet-
9	lands, or other topographical features that
10	can slow, filter, and naturally store
11	stormwater runoff and flood waters for fu-
12	ture water supply and recharge of natural
13	aquifers;
14	(ii) utilize natural design techniques
15	that infiltrate, filter, store, evaporate, and
16	detain water close to its source; or
17	(iii) minimize the use of impervious
18	surfaces in order to slow or infiltrate pre-
19	cipitation;
20	(K) suggest strategies for addressing in-
21	creased sewage overflow problems due to chang-
22	ing storm dynamics and the impact of aging
23	stormwater and wastewater infrastructure, pop-
24	ulation growth, and urban sprawl;

1	(L) promote environmental restoration
2	projects that reestablish natural processes; and
3	(M) identify opportunities to promote ex-
4	isting or create regional planning, including op-
5	portunities to integrate climate change into
6	water infrastructure and environmental con-
7	servation planning.
8	(c) Membership.—
9	(1) Number and appointment.—The Com-
10	mission shall be composed of 8 members who shall
11	be appointed, not later than 90 days after the date
12	of enactment of this Act, as follows:
13	(A) 2 members appointed by the President.
14	(B) 2 members appointed by the Speaker
15	of the House of Representatives from a list of
16	4 individuals—
17	(i) 2 nominated for that appointment
18	by the chairman of the Committee on
19	Transportation and Infrastructure of the
20	House of Representatives; and
21	(ii) 2 nominated for that appointment
22	by the chairman of the Committee Natural
23	Resources of the House of Representatives.

1	(C) 2 members appointed by the majority
2	leader of the Senate from a list of 4 individ-
3	uals—
4	(i) 2 nominated for that appointment
5	by the chairman of the Committee on En-
6	vironment and Public Works of the Senate;
7	and
8	(ii) 2 nominated for that appointment
9	by the chairman of the Committee on En-
10	ergy and Natural Resources of the Senate.
11	(D) 1 member appointed by the minority
12	leader of the House of Representatives from a
13	list of 2 individuals—
14	(i) one nominated for that appoint-
15	ment by the ranking member of the Com-
16	mittee on Transportation and Infrastruc-
17	ture of the House of Representatives; and
18	(ii) one nominated for that appoint-
19	ment by the ranking member of the Com-
20	mittee on Natural Resources of the Senate.
21	(E) 1 member appointed by the minority
22	leader of the Senate from a list of 2 individ-
23	uals—
24	(i) one nominated for that appoint-
25	ment by the ranking member of the Com-

1	mittee on Environment and Public Works
2	of the Senate; and
3	(ii) one nominated for that appoint-
4	ment by the ranking member of the Com-
5	mittee on Energy and Natural Resources
6	of the Senate.
7	(2) Qualifications.—
8	(A) RECOGNIZED STANDING AND DISTINC-
9	TION.—Members shall be appointed to the
10	Commission from among individuals who are of
11	recognized standing and distinction in water
12	policy issues.
13	(B) Limitation.—A person while serving
14	as a member of the Commission may not hold
15	any other position as an officer or employee of
16	the United States, except as a retired officer or
17	retired civilian employee of the United States.
18	(C) Other considerations.—In appoint-
19	ing members of the Commission, every effort
20	shall be made to ensure that the members rep-
21	resent a broad cross section of regional and
22	geographical perspectives in the United States.
23	(3) Chairperson.—The Chairperson of the
24	Commission shall be elected by a majority vote of
25	the members of the Commission.

1 (4) Terms.—Members of the Commission shall 2 serve for the life of the Commission. 3 (5) Vacancies.—A vacancy on the Commission 4 shall not affect its operation and shall be filled in 5 the manner in which the original appointment was 6 made. 7 (6) Compensation and travel expenses.— 8 Members of the Commission shall serve without 9 compensation; except that members shall receive 10 travel expenses, including per diem in lieu of subsist-11 ence, in accordance with applicable provisions under 12 subchapter I of chapter 57, United States Code. 13 (d) Meetings and Quorum.— 14 (1) Meetings.—The Commission shall hold its 15 first meeting not later than 60 days after the date 16 on which all original members are appointed under 17 subsection (c) and shall hold additional meetings at 18 the call of the Chairperson or a majority of its mem-19 bers. 20 (2) Quorum.—A majority of the members of 21 the Commission shall constitute a quorum for the 22 transaction of business. 23 (e) DIRECTOR AND STAFF.— 24 (1) Director.—The Commission shall have a

Director who shall be appointed by the Speaker of

- the House of Representatives and the majority leader of the Senate, in consultation with the minority leader of the House of Representatives, the chairmen of the Committees on Resources and Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives, the minority leader of the Senate, and the chairmen of the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources and Environment and Public Works of the Senate.
- (2) APPLICABILITY OF CERTAIN CIVIL SERVICE LAWS.—The Director and staff of the Commission may be appointed without regard to the provisions of title 5, United States Code, governing appointments in the competitive service, and may be paid without regard to the provisions of chapter 51 and subchapter III of chapter 53 of that title relating to classification and General Schedule pay rates; except that an individual so appointed may not receive pay in excess of the annual rate of basic pay for GS–15 of the General Schedule.

#### (f) Hearings.—

(1) MINIMUM NUMBER.—The Commission shall hold no fewer than 10 hearings during the life of the Commission.

- 1 (2) IN CONJUNCTION WITH MEETINGS.—Hear-2 ings may be held in conjunction with meetings of the 3 Commission.
  - (3) TESTIMONY AND EVIDENCE.—The Commission may take such testimony and receive such evidence as the Commission considers appropriate to carry out this section.
  - (4) Specified.—At least one hearing shall be held in Washington, District of Columbia, for the purpose of taking testimony of representatives of Federal agencies, national organizations, and Members of Congress. At least one hearing shall focus on potential water resource issues relating to climate change and how to mitigate the harms of climate change-related weather events.
  - (5) Nonspecified.—Hearings, other than those referred to in paragraph (4), shall be scheduled in distinct geographical regions of the United States. In conducting such hearings, the Commission should seek to ensure testimony from individuals with a diversity of experiences, including those who work on water issues at all levels of government and in the private sector.

1	(g) Information and Support From Federal
2	AGENCIES.—Upon request of the Commission, the head
3	of a Federal department or agency shall—
4	(1) provide to the Commission, within 30 days
5	of the request, such information as the Commission
6	considers necessary to carry out this section; and
7	(2) detail to temporary duty with the Commis-
8	sion on a reimbursable basis such personnel as the
9	Commission considers necessary to carry out this
10	section.
11	(h) Interim Reports.—Not later than one year
12	after the date of the first meeting of the Commission, and
13	every year thereafter, the Commission shall submit an in-
14	terim report containing a detailed summary of its
15	progress, including meetings held and hearings conducted
16	before the date of the report, to—
17	(1) the President; and
18	(2) Congress.
19	(i) Final Report.—As soon as practicable, but not
20	later than 5 years after the date of the first meeting of
21	the Commission, the Commission shall submit a final re-
22	port containing a detailed statement of the findings and
23	conclusions of the Commission and recommendations for
24	legislation and other policies to implement such findings

25 and conclusions to—

- 1 (1) the President;
- 2 (2) the Committee on Resources and the Com-
- 3 mittee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the
- 4 House of Representatives; and
- 5 (3) the Committee on Energy and Natural Re-
- 6 sources and the Committee on the Environment and
- 7 Public Works of the Senate.
- 8 (j) Termination.—The Commission shall terminate
- 9 not later than 30 days after the date on which the Com-
- 10 mission transmits a final report under subsection (h)(1).
- 11 (k) Applicability of Federal Advisory Com-
- 12 MITTEE ACT.—The Federal Advisory Committee Act (5
- 13 U.S.C. App. 1 et seq.) shall not apply to the Commission.
- (l) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There
- 15 are authorized to be appropriated \$12,000,000 to carry
- 16 out this section.
- 17 SEC. 703. IMPROVING HYDROPOWER CAPABILITIES.
- 18 (a) Study.—The Secretary of the Army shall con-
- 19 duct a study on the potential for reduced fossil fuel con-
- 20 sumption through an increase in hydropower capabilities
- 21 of the Corps of Engineers.
- 22 (b) Contents.—The study shall include an examina-
- 23 tion of the potential for improving hydropower capabilities
- 24 at dams owned or operated by the Corps of Engineers,
- 25 including the ecological impacts of such capabilities.

1	(c) Report.—Not later than one year after the date
2	of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall submit to
3	Congress a report containing the results of the study con-
4	ducted under this section.
5	SEC. 704. STUDY OF POTENTIAL IMPACTS OF CLIMATE
6	CHANGE ON WATER RESOURCES AND WATER
7	QUALITY.
8	(a) National Academy Study.—The Adminis-
9	trator of the Environmental Protection Agency shall enter
10	into an arrangement with the National Academy of
11	Sciences under which the Academy shall—
12	(1) identify the potential impacts of climate
13	change on the Nation's water resources, watersheds,
14	and water quality, including the potential for im-
15	pacts to wetlands, shoreline erosion, and saltwater
16	intrusion as a result of sea level rise, and the poten-
17	tial for significant regional variation in precipitation
18	events to impact Federal, State, and local efforts to
19	attain or maintain water quality;
20	(2) assess the extent to which Federal and
21	State efforts under the Federal Water Pollution
22	Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1251 et. seq.) and other
23	ocean and coastal laws may be affected by climate

change;

- 1 (3) identify prudent steps to assess emerging 2 information and identify appropriate response ac-3 tions to meet the requirements of such Act, including provisions to attain or maintain water quality 5 standards and for adequate stream flows for wet-6 lands and aquatic resources; and
- 7 (4) recommend, if necessary, potential legisla-8 tive or regulatory changes to address impacts of 9 global climate change on efforts to restore and main-10 tain the chemical, physical, and biological integrity 11 of the Nation's waters.
- 12 (b) RECOMMENDATIONS.—Not later than 2 years after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Administrator shall transmit to Congress a report on the results 14 15 of the study under this section.
- 16 SEC. 705. IMPACTS OF CLIMATE CHANGE ON CORPS OF EN-17

GINEERS PROJECTS.

- 18 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Army shall 19 ensure that water resources projects and studies carried 20 out by the Corps of Engineers after the date of enactment 21 of this Act take into account the potential short and long 22 term effects of climate change on such projects.
- 23 (b) Consideration.—In carrying out this section, the Secretary shall utilize a representative range of climate change scenarios, including the current analyses of

- the United States Climate Change Science Program and the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change. 3 (c) Report to Congress.—Not later than one year after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall 5 submit to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives and the Com-6 mittee on Environment and Public Works of the Senate 8 a report on the implementation of this section. Subtitle B—Emergency 9 Management 10 SEC. 731. EFFECTS OF CLIMATE CHANGE ON FEMA PRE-12 PAREDNESS, RESPONSE, RECOVERY, AND 13 MITIGATION PROGRAMS. 14 (a) Study.—The Administrator of the Federal 15 Emergency Management Agency shall conduct a comprehensive study of the increase in demand for the Agen-16 cy's emergency preparedness, response, recovery, and miti-17 gation programs and services that may be reasonably an-18 ticipated as a result of an increased number and intensity 19 of natural disasters affected by climate change, including
- 23 (b) CONTENTS.—The study shall include an analysis 24 of the budgetary and personnel needs of meeting the in-

hurricanes, floods, tornadoes, fires, droughts, and severe

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storms.

- 1 creased demand for Agency services referred to in sub-
- 2 section (a).
- 3 (c) Report.—Not later than one year after the date
- 4 of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall submit to
- 5 the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of
- 6 the House of Representatives and the Committee on
- 7 Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs of the Sen-
- 8 ate a report and any legislative recommendations on the
- 9 study conducted under this section.

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